

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH

ABSTRACT

Public Services–Revenue Department–Sri J. Appala Suri, formerly Tahsildar, Badangi Mandal, Vizianagaram District (dismissed from service) for involvement in a case of moral turpitude and mis-use of office premises–Imposed punishment of removal from service – Appeal Petition filed before the Government – Modifying the dismissal orders as reduction to the lower post – Orders – Issued.

REVENUE (VIG.II) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.22

Dated: 04.01.2010

Read the following:

1. The Collector, Vizianagaram district procgs Rc.No. 186/08 A7, dt.20.01.2008
2. The Collector, Vizianagaramproc.No.186/08 A7, dt.23.2.08
3. The Collector, Vizianagram Lr.No.186/08 A7, dt.27.08.08
4. The C.C.L.A's Procgs No.VS-I (3)/1286/2008, dt.16.07.2009.
5. From the President, A.P. Revenue Services Association Representation dt.Nil
6. Appeal petition filed before Government by Sri J. Appala Suri, Tahsildar (under dismissal dated:16.08.2009
7. From the C.C.L.A's Lr. No.VS-I (3)/1286/2008, dt.17.11.2009.

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ORDER:

Sri J.Appala Suri, while working as Tahsildar Badangi Mandal, Vizianagaram district was involved in a case of moral turpitude and misuse of Office premises. He was placed under suspension by the Collector, Vizianagaram district vide his procgs 1<sup>st</sup> read above. The following Article of charges were made against him under Rule 20 of the APCS (CC&A) Rules, 1991.

1. Sri J. Appala Suri, Tahsildar, Badangi (U/s) and a woman F.P. Shop Dealer, Badangi were found in a close, intimate, and Compromising position on the floor near the table in the premises of the office of Tahsildar, Badangi as seen from the Scroll/visuals telecasted on T.V-9 channel on the evening of 19.01.2008. He was half naked as seen from the visual.
2. He has offered money to the Reporter of T.V-9 to hush up the matter as seen from the audio conversation shown in the visual.
3. He was involved in a case of moral turpitude and misuse of his office by involving in the above illegal and indecent act that too in the office premises.
4. He has committed; that
  - (i).The officer living with a lady within the office premises at about 10.30 P.M on 18.01.2008 without any staff member or any other person.
  - (ii). There is no important and urgent work in the office like 4<sup>th</sup> phase Assignment.

As the C.O denied the charges in his explanation, the Collector has appointed the DRO, Vizianagaram as the Inquiring Authority to inquire into the charge vide his proc.2<sup>nd</sup> read above. The Enquiry Officer has conducted enquiry into the charges and submitted report to the Collector, Vizianagaram holding three charges as held proved. The Collector, has returned the case

to the Chief Commissioner of Land Administration vide his letter 3<sup>rd</sup> read above duly sending the connected records

and the VCD. The Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, after following the due procedure has imposed a punishment of "removal from service" on Sri J. Appala Suri, formerly Tahsildar, Badangi Mandal vide his procs 4<sup>th</sup> read above.

In the reference 6<sup>th</sup> read above, Sri J. Appala Suri, formerly Tahsildar, Badangi Mandal has submitted appeal petition to Govt. stating among others that he never acted in an indecent manner and never misused and abused power. The observation of the E.O that he was in close, intimate and compromising position with a woman F.P shop dealer while lying on the floor in the premises of office of Tahsildar is preposterous. On 18.01.08 he has attended the review meeting of all the revenue officers of Vizianagaram district at collectorate. After completing the meeting, he attended the funeral of the VRO, Mallampeta. After attending the house of deceased VRO, he has taken bath at Tahsildar Office Badangi and drenched his wearing apparel in the water. As he was suffering from diabetics and he was reeling under deep physical exhausting since the sugar level has comedown. At that time the fair price dealer brought food to him and by that time he was lying on the floor unconscious. Apprehending lurking danger, the said Ramanamma made an abortive attempt to immediately, administer morsel of food into his mouth that was depicted as such that she was in compromising position with the said Ramanamma. He alleged the T.V 9 personnel presented the telecast show after completely using photographic skills and the Chief Commission of Land Administration not given any finding before imposing the punishment of removal from service. The Charged Officer has requested finally to set aside the orders of the Chief Commissioner of Land Administration as he is going to retire from service on 30.06.2010.

Government after careful examination of the matter, have decided to modify the punishment of dismissal imposed by the Chief Commissioner of Land Administration vide his procs 4<sup>th</sup> read above against Sri J. Appala Suri (now dismissed) to that of reduction to the immediate lower post / category. Accordingly it is hereby ordered that Sri J. Appala Suri, Tahsildar is hereby reverted to the lower post / category of Dy.Tahsildar and re-inducted him into service. The period spent under suspension shall be treated as "not on duty".

The Spl.C. & Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, Hyderabad is requested to take further action accordingly.

The record received with the Chief Commissioner of Land Administration Hyderabad letter 7<sup>th</sup> read above is herewith returned and the same may be acknowledged.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

ASUTOSH MISHRA  
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To  
The Chief Commissioner of Land Administration, Hyderabad (w.e).

Copy to:

- 1.The Collector, Vizianagaram.
- 2.The D.T.O, Vizianagaram.
- 3.The A.G.A.P, Hyderabad.
- 4.Sri J. Appala Suri, Tahsildar  
(dismissed) (through the CCLA, Hyderabad)

// Forwarded by Order //

SECTION OFFICER